MARSHALL DIVISION

CHIP PACKAGING TECHNOLOGIES, LLC,

Civil Action No.

Plaintiff,

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

v.

INFINEON TECHNOLOGIES AG,

Defendant.

COMPLAINT FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT AND DAMAGES **AND DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL**

Plaintiff Chip Packaging Technologies, LLC ("Chip Packaging" or "Plaintiff") files this Complaint for Patent Infringement and Damages against Infineon Technologies AG ("Infineon" or "Defendant") and alleges as follows:

THE PARTIES

- 1. Chip Packaging is the current owner and assignee of the Asserted Patents.
- 2. Chip Packaging is a Texas limited liability company with its principal place of business located at 5830 Granite Parkway, Suite #100-216, Plano, TX 75024.
- 3. Upon information and belief, Infineon is a corporation formed under the laws of the Federal Republic of Germany, with a principal place of business at Am Campeon 1-15, 85579, Neubiberg, Germany.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 4. This civil action arises under the patent laws of the United States, 35 U.S.C. § 1 *et seq.*, including without limitation 35 U.S.C. §§ 271, 281, 283, 284, and 285. Accordingly, this Court has subject matter jurisdiction under, *inter alia*, 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338(a).
- 5. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Defendant. Defendant conducts business and has committed acts of patent infringement in this Judicial District, the State of Texas, and elsewhere in the United States.
- 6. Plaintiff's causes of action arise, at least in part, from Defendant's contacts with and activities in this District and the State of Texas.
- 7. Defendant has infringed the Asserted Patents within this District and the State of Texas by making, using, distributing, marketing, offering, and/or importing in or into this District and elsewhere in the State of Texas, products that infringe the Asserted Patents, including the Accused Products. Defendant, directly and through intermediaries, makes, uses, offers, imports, distributes, advertises, promotes, and/or otherwise commercializes such infringing products in or into this District and the State of Texas. Defendant regularly conducts and solicits business in, engages in other persistent courses of conduct in, and/or derives substantial revenue from goods and services provided to residents of this District and the State of Texas.
- 8. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Defendants pursuant to TEX. CIV. PRAC. & REM. CODE § 17.041 *et seq*.
- 9. Personal jurisdiction exists over Defendant because Defendant has minimum contacts with this forum as a result of business regularly conducted within this District and the State of Texas, and, on information and belief, specifically as a result of, at least, committing the tort of patent infringement within this District and the State of Texas.

- 10. This Court also has personal jurisdiction over Defendant, in part, because Defendant does continuous and systematic business in this District, including by providing infringing products to the residents of this District that Defendant knew would be used within this District, and by soliciting business from the residents of this District.
- 11. Venue is proper in this Judicial District pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391 because, among other things, Defendant is not a resident in the United States, and thus may be sued in any judicial district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(c)(3).

THE ASSERTED PATENTS

- 12. On February 16, 2016, the United States Patent and Trademark Office duly and legally issued U.S. Patent No. 9,263,299 (the "'299 Patent") entitled "Exposed Die Clip Bond Power Package." A true and correct copy of the '299 Patent is attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 13. CPT is the owner and assignee of all right, title, and interest in and to the '299 Patent, including the right to assert all causes of action arising under the '299 Patent and the right to sue and obtain any remedies for past, present, or future infringement.
- 14. On March 29, 2016, the United States Patent and Trademark Office duly and legally issued U.S. Patent No. 9,299,646 (the "'646 Patent") entitled "Lead Frame With Power And Ground Bars." A true and correct copy of the '646 Patent is attached hereto as Exhibit B.
- 15. Chip Packaging is the owner and assignee of all right, title, and interest in and to the '646 Patent, including the right to assert all causes of action arising under the '646 Patent and the right to sue and obtain any remedies for past, present, or future infringement.
- 16. On September 4, 2012, the United States Patent and Trademark Office duly and legally issued U.S. Patent No. 8,258,611 (the "611 Patent") entitled "Leadframe Structure For Electronic Packages." A true and correct copy of the '611 Patent is attached hereto as Exhibit C.

- 17. Chip Packaging is the owner and assignee of all right, title, and interest in and to the '611 Patent, including the right to assert all causes of action arising under the '611 Patent and the right to sue and obtain any remedies for past, present, or future infringement.
- 18. On June 20, 2017, the United States Patent and Trademark Office duly and legally issued U.S. Patent No. 9,685,351 (the "'351 Patent") entitled "Wire Bond Mold Lock Method And Structure." A true and correct copy of the '351 Patent is attached hereto as Exhibit D.
- 19. Chip Packaging is the owner and assignee of all right, title, and interest in and to the '351 Patent, including the right to assert all causes of action arising under the '351 Patent and the right to sue and obtain any remedies for past, present, or future infringement.
- 20. On March 12, 2013, the United States Patent and Trademark Office duly and legally issued U.S. Patent No. 8,394,713 (the "'713 Patent") entitled "Method Of Improving Adhesion Of Bond Pad Over Pad Metallization With A Neighboring Passivation Layer By Depositing A Palladium Layer." A true and correct copy of the '713 Patent is attached hereto as Exhibit E.
- 21. Chip Packaging is the owner and assignee of all right, title, and interest in and to the '713 Patent, including the right to assert all causes of action arising under the '713 Patent and the right to sue and obtain any remedies for past, present, or future infringement.
- 22. Chip Packaging has at all times complied with the marking provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 287 with respect to the Asserted Patents.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

- 23. The Asserted Patents relate to groundbreaking improvements to semiconductor packaging technologies.
- 24. The technology in U.S. Patent No. 9,263,299 ("the '299 Patent") was developed by Leonardus Antonius Elisabeth van Gemert and Emil Casey Israel of NXP B.V.

- 25. The technology in U.S. Patent No. 9,299,646 ("the '646 Patent") was developed by Shailesh Kumar and Piyush Kumar Mishra of Freescale Semiconductor, Inc.
- 26. The technology in U.S. Patent No. 8,258,611 ("the '611 Patent") was developed by Ronald Schravendeel and Peter Schelwald of NXP B.V.
- 27. The technology in U.S. Patent No. 9,685,351 ("the '351 Patent") was developed by Leo M. Higgins, III of NXP USA, Inc.
- 28. The technology in U.S. Patent No. 8,394,713 ("the '713 Patent") was developed by Varughese Mathew of Freescale Semiconductor, Inc.
- 29. On information and belief, each of the Infineon products identified herein, including the Infineon OPTIREG Buck Regulator product line, the Infineon PROFET Smart High-Side Power Switch product line, the Infineon CoolGaN Integrated Power Stage products, the Infineon TC1782 AUDO MAX Microcontroller, Infineon TLF51801 OPTIREG Asynchronous DC/DC Step-Down Converter, and the Infineon TLE9872 Motix 32-bit Microcontroller have been available for purchase in the United States, including but not limited to, directly from Infineon, through Infineon's website, and/or through Infineon-authorized Americas distributors. By way of example only, the Infineon Buck Regulator products are available for purchase in the United States, including but not limited to through Infineon's website through Infineon-authorized Global or Americas distributors:





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OptiMOS[™] IPOL single-output synchronous buck regulator 25 A with PMBus interface

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OptiMOS™ IPOL TDA38725A is an easy-to-use, fully integrated, highly efficient 25 A synchronous buck regulator with PMBUS Compliance. A proprietary fast COT engine enables a fast transient response and reduces the board footprint. TDA38725A offers best-in-class efficiency by using OptiMOS™ FETs, optimized for low-voltage high-current applications. Extensive protection features provide system-level security under fault conditions.

Summary of Features

- Wide input voltage range 3.0 17 V
- Output voltage range: 0.25 3.04 V
- Enhanced stability engine stable
- Opt. forced continuous conduction mode
- Switching frequency from 400 kHz 2 MHz
- · Monotonic start-up and soft-start time
- Thermally compensated internal OCP
- PMBus system interface for reporting
- Multiple time programming (MTP)
- Digitally programmable load-lineThermal shut down
- Operating temp: -40°C < Tj < 125°C

Potential Applications

- DC-DC power conversion for telecom infrastructure
- Base stations
- FPGA power
- Storage

Benefits

- Superior transient response
- Accurate output voltage regulation
- · High efficiency and high power density
- Fast constant on-time PWM engine





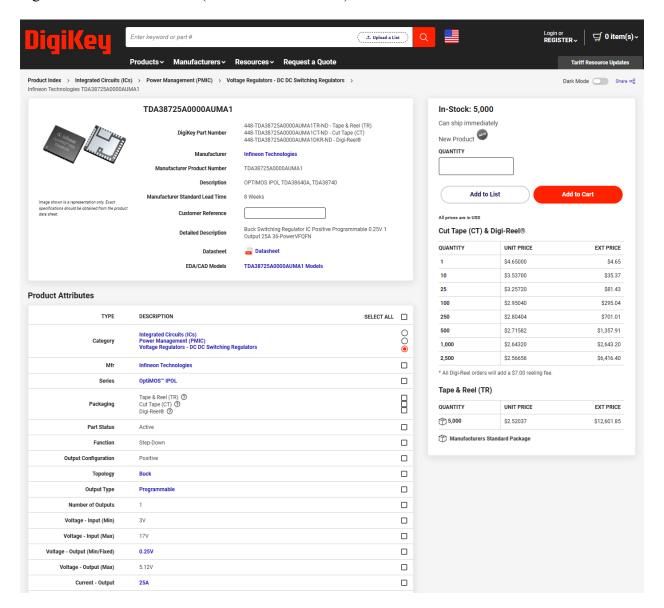
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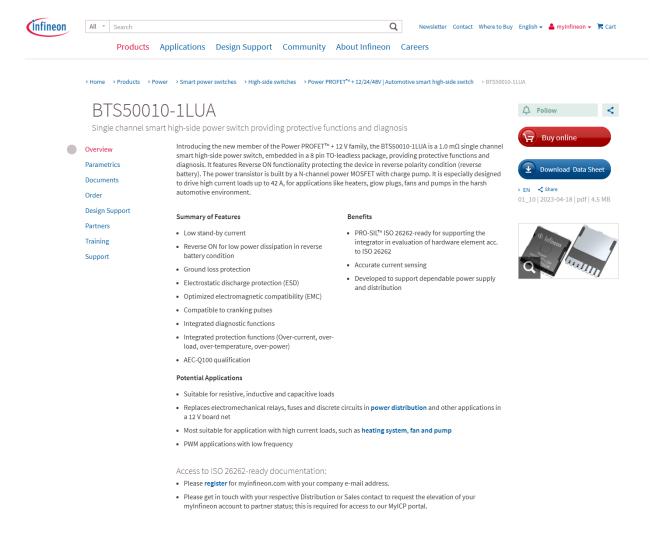
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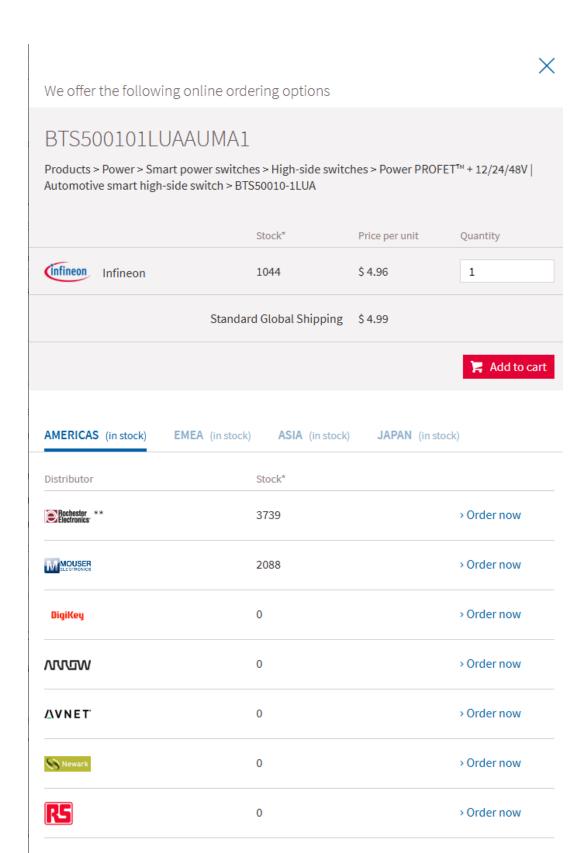
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30. As another example, the Infineon Smart High-Side Power Switch product line are available for purchase in the United States, including but not limited to through Infineon's website through Infineon-authorized Global or Americas distributors:

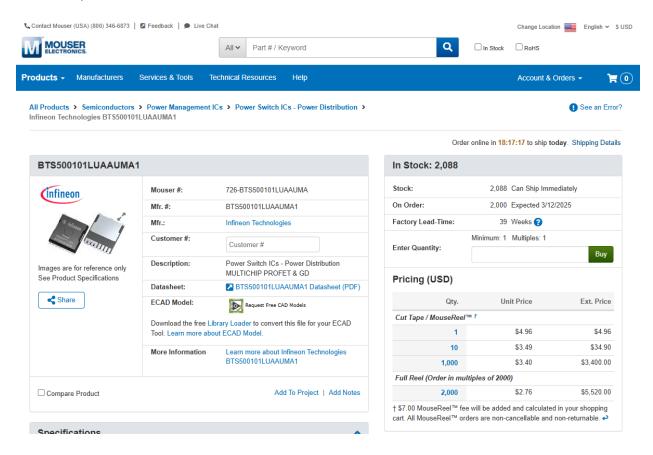




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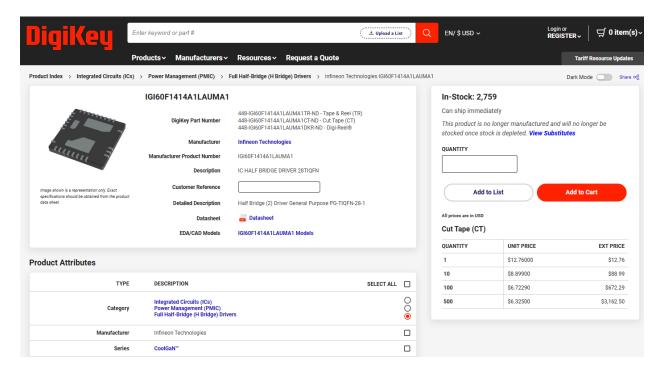


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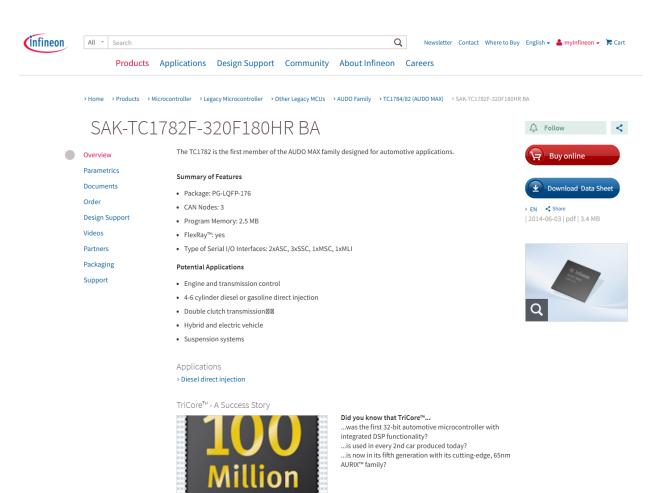
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31. As another example, the Infineon CoolGaN Integrated Power Stage are available for purchase in the United States, including but not limited to through Infineon-authorized Global or Americas distributors:



See https://www.digikey.com/en/products/detail/infineon-technologies/IGI60F1414A1LAUMA1/15776244 (last visited 1/27/2025).

32. As another example, the Infineon 32-bit MCU TriCore Package product line are available for purchase in the United States, including but not limited to through Infineon's website through Infineon-authorized Global or Americas distributors:





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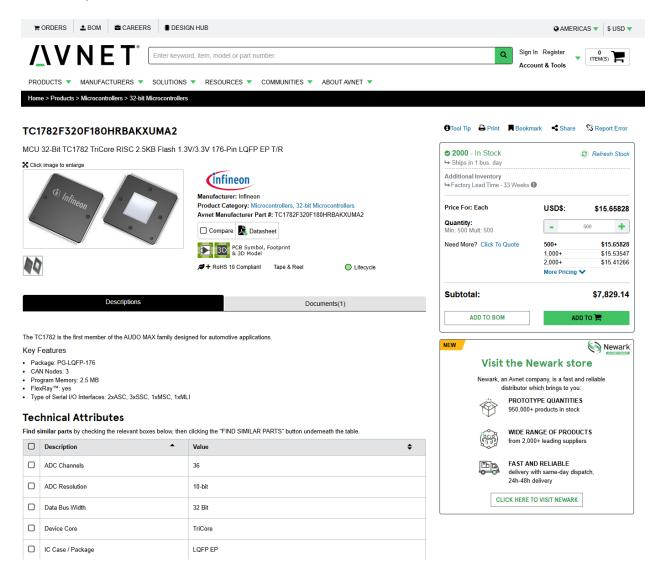
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VANET.	2000		>	Order now
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RS	1500		>	Order now
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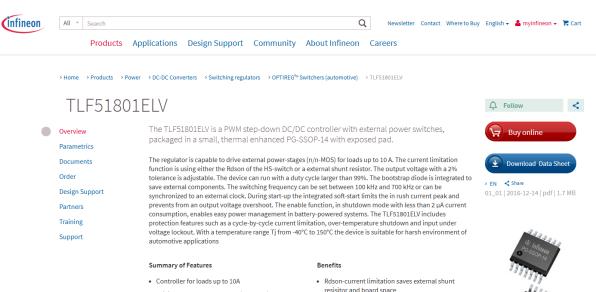
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See https://www.avnet.com/shop/us/products/infineon/tc1782f320f180hrbakxuma2-3074457345624887968?CMP=EMA_Octopart_inventoryfeed_VSE (last visited 1/27/2025).

33. As another example, the Infineon TLF51801 Asynchronous DC/DC Step-Down Converter product line are available for purchase in the United States, including but not limited to through Infineon's website through Infineon-authorized Global or Americas distributors:



- Driving external power-stage (n/n-MOS)
- Current limitation using the Rdson of the HS-switch or via shunt-resistor
- Adjustable output voltage: 1.2V up to Dmax*Vs
- ± 2% output voltage tolerance
- Duty cycle > 99%
- · Integrated bootstrap diode
- Input voltage range from 4.75V to 45V
- Adjustable switching frequency: 100 kHz up to 700
- Syncronization input
- EN for ultra-low shut-down current (< 2 μ A)
- Integrated soft-start function
- Suited for automotive applications: Tj = -40 $^{\circ}$ C to +150 °C
- Green Product (RoHS compliant)
- AEC Qualified

- resisitor and board space
- Integrated bootstrap diode saves external components and board space
- High duty cycle allows low drop-out operation
- · Integrated soft- start function saves external components and board space





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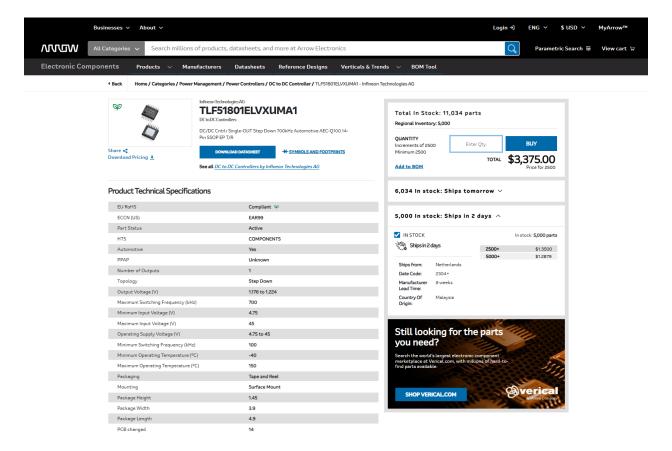
TLF51801ELVXUMA1 Products > Power > DC-DC Converters > Switching regulators > OPTIREG™ Switchers (automotive) > TLF51801ELV Stock* Price per unit Quantity **(infineon** Infineon 1232 \$3.47 1 Standard Global Shipping \$4.99 📜 Add to cart

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Distributor	Stock*			
R5	9945	> Order now		
DigiKey	6011	> Order now		
MOUSER BLE STROKISS	5045	> Order now		
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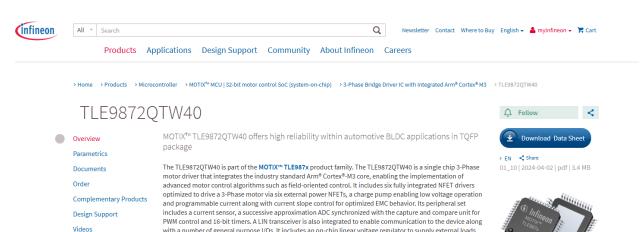
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- 34. As another example, the Infineon TLE9872 Microcontroller product line are available for purchase in the United States, including but not limited to through Infineon's website through Infineon-authorized Global or Americas distributors:



with a number of general purpose I/Os. It includes an on-chip linear voltage regulator to supply external loads.

It is a highly integrated AEC-Q100 Grade 0 automotive qualified device enabling cost and space efficient solutions for BLDC motor drive applications.

Summary of Features:

Partners

Training Support

- Six current programmable Drivers with charge pump for N-Channel MOSFET
- Integrated LIN transceiver compatible with LIN 2.2 and SAEJ2602
- Two Full duplex serial interface (UART) with LIN support
- Two Synchronous serial channel (SSC)
- On-chip OSC and PLL for clock generation
- One high voltage monitoring input with wake up functionality
- High speed operational amplifier for motor current sensing via shunt
- · Measurement unit:
- o 8-bit ADC module with 10 multiplexed inputs
- o 10-bit ADC module with 8 multiplexed inputs, 5 external Analog inputs
- On chip temperature and battery voltage measurement unit
- Increased Temperature Shutdown supports operation up to Tjmax = 175 °C
- Independent Programmable window watchdog
- 5V/1.5V Internal supplies

Features of the Microcontroller:

- 32 bit Arm® Cortex®-M3 Core, up to 40 MHz clock frequency
- · 256 kByte flash memory for code and data
- 32 kByte Boot ROM memory in code space (used for boot code and IP storage)
- 8 kByte RAM memory
- · Harvard architecture
- Thumb®-2 Instruction Set and hardware divide and multiplication unit
- Four 16-Bit timers
- Capture/compare unit for PWM signal generation (CCU6) with 2 x 16-bits timers

General Characteristics:

- Operating supply voltage Vs=5.5 to 27V, maximum rating 40V
- Extended operating range Vs=3.0 to 28V, MCU / Flash fully functional
- ESD performance :
- o up to 2kV / handling on all pins
- o 4kV @ HV inputs
- o 6kV @ LIN pin







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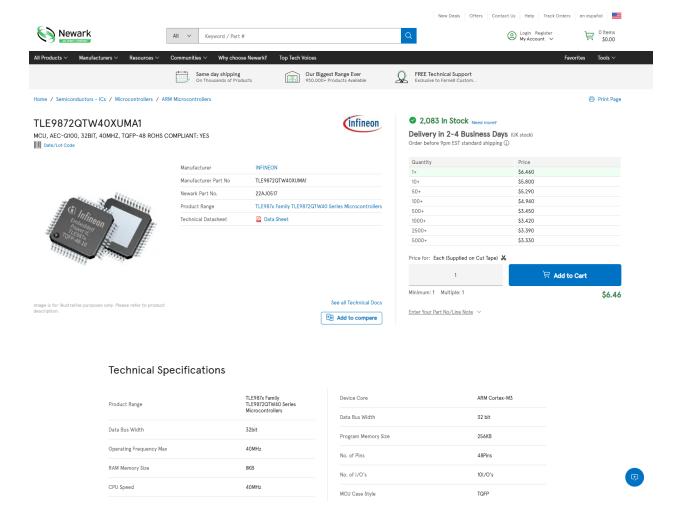
TLE9872QTW40XUMA1 Products > Microcontroller > MOTIX[™] MCU | 32-bit motor control SoC (system-on-chip) > 3-Phase Bridge Driver IC with Integrated Arm® Cortex® M3 > TLE9872QTW40 Stock* Price per unit Quantity **(infineon** 1207 \$7.09 1 Infineon Standard Global Shipping 📜 Add to cart

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FIRST COUNT (Infringement of U.S. Patent No. 9,263,299)

- 35. Chip Packaging incorporates by reference the allegations set forth in Paragraphs 1-34 of the Complaint as though fully set forth herein.
 - 36. The claims of the '299 Patent are valid and enforceable.

- 37. Infineon has and continues to directly infringe the '299 Patent, either literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, without authority and in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271, by making, using, offering to sell, selling, and/or importing into the United States the Accused Products made using the patented methods including, but not limited to, products that satisfy each and every limitation of one or more claims of the '299 Patent. Upon information and belief, such products include at least the Infineon OPTIREG Buck Regulator product line, including but not limited to: TDA38725. On information and belief, this further includes the Infineon Smart High-Side Power Switch product line including but not limited to the BTS50005-1LUA.
- 38. For example, the Accused Products incorporates and/or implements elements that are identical or equivalent to each claimed element of the patented invention pointed out by at least Claim 1 of the '299 Patent.
 - 39. Claim 1 of the '299 Patent recites:
 - 1. A method for packaging an integrated circuit (IC) device, the method comprising:

mounting a plurality of active device die, into predetermined positions, onto a temporary carrier, each said active device die having bond pads, each of said active device die having a solderable conductive surface on its underside; and having been subjected to back-grinding to a prescribed thickness:

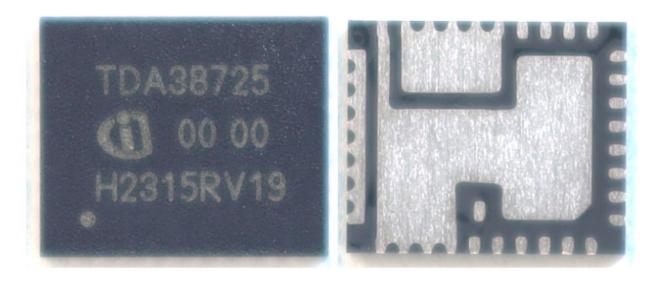
dispensing a solder paste onto the bond pads on the plurality active device die;

attaching a lead frame to the temporary carrier, the lead frame having an array of device positions which correspond to the predetermined positions of the plurality of active device die, wherein upper lead frame portions contact the solder paste present on the bond pads and lower lead frame portions contact the temporary carrier; and

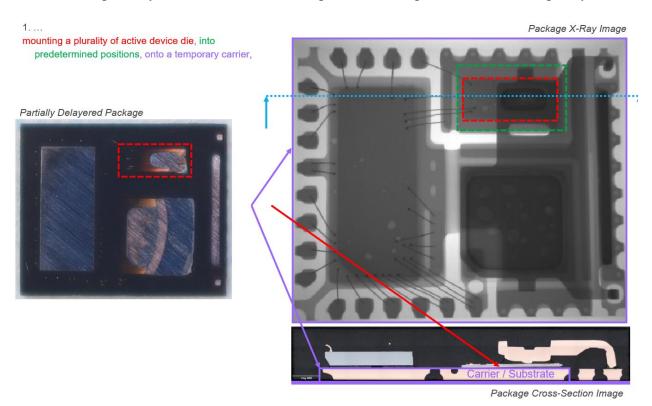
reflowing the solder so that a connection is made between the upper lead frame portions and the bond pads of the plurality of active device die.

'299 Patent, Cl. 1.

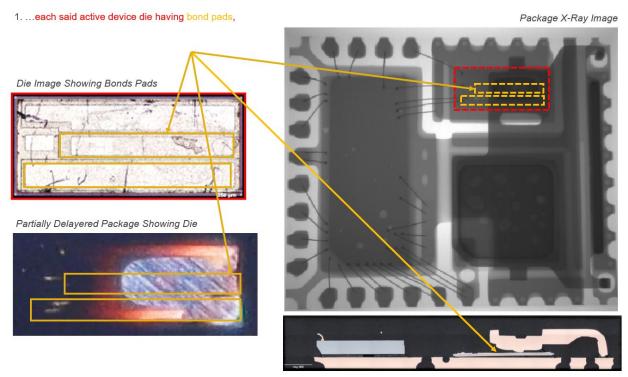
40. For example, the Infineon Buck Regulator implements a method for packaging an integrated circuit (IC) device. The integrated circuit (IC) device of the Infineon Buck Regulator is illustrated below:



41. On information and belief, the Accused Products are manufactured using a process that mounts a plurality of active device die, into predetermined positions, onto a temporary carrier.

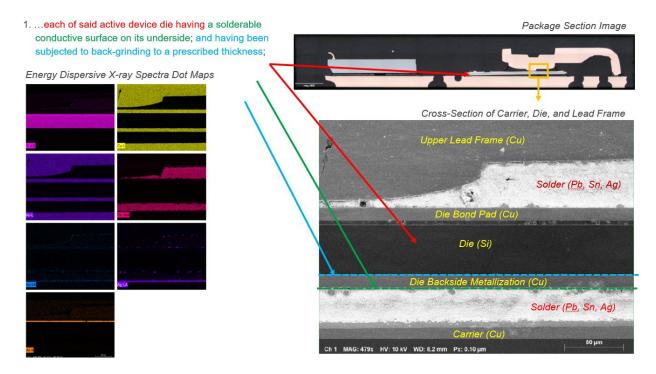


42. On information and belief, within the Accused Products each active die has bond pads.



Package Cross-Section Image

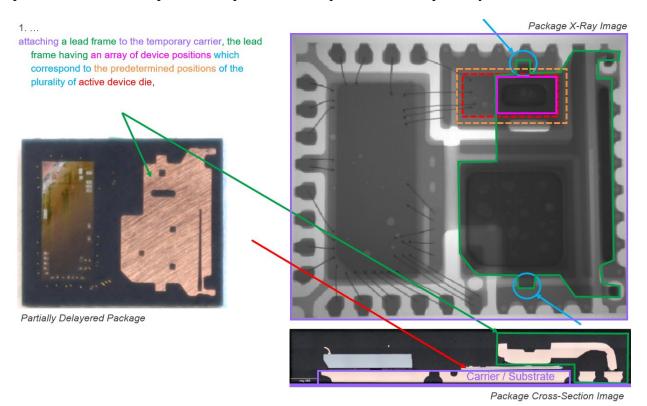
43. On information and belief, within the Accused Products each active die has a solderable conductive surface on its underside; and has been subjected to back-grinding to a prescribed thickness.



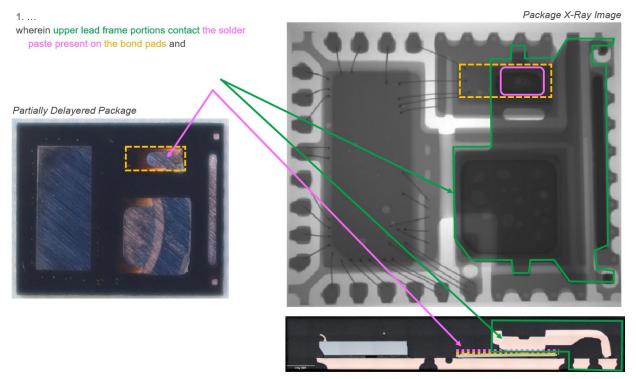
44. On information and belief, the Accused Products are manufactured using a process that dispenses a solder paste onto the bond pads on the plurality active device die.



45. On information and belief, the Accused Products are manufactured using a process that attaches a lead frame to the temporary carrier, the lead frame having an array of device positions which correspond to the predetermined positions of the plurality of active device die.

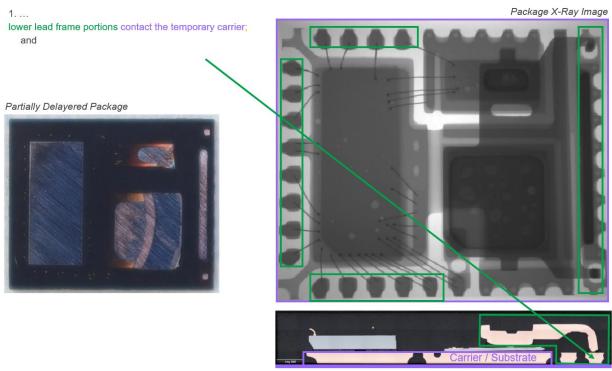


46. On information and belief, the Accused Products are manufactured using a process wherein the upper lead frame portions contact the solder paste present on the bond pads.



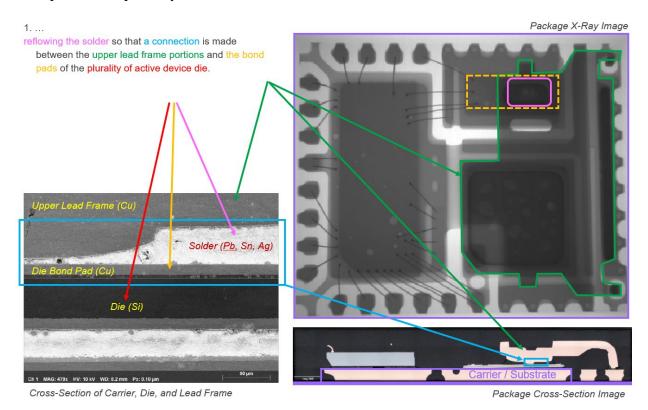
Package Cross-Section Image

47. On information and belief, the Accused Products are manufactured using a process wherein the lower lead frame portions contact the temporary carrier.



Package Cross-Section Image

48. On information and belief, the Accused Products are manufactured using a process that reflows the solder so that a connection is made between the upper lead frame portions and the bond pads of the plurality of active device die.



- 49. Fact and expert discovery are expected to confirm that the Accused Products infringe the '299 Patent, for which further evidence may lie in whole or in part in technical documents to which Chip Packaging does not presently have access.
- 50. Further, on information and belief, Defendant has and continues to indirectly infringe one or more claims of the '299 Patent, including claim 1, by knowingly and intentionally inducing others, including third-party semiconductor foundries, other types of third-party manufacturers, customers, and/or end-users to directly infringe, either literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, by making, using, offering to sell, selling, and/or importing into the United States the Accused Products.

- 51. Defendant, with knowledge that these products, and/or the manufacture thereof, infringe the '299 Patent at least as of the date of this Complaint, knowingly and intentionally induced, and continues to knowingly and intentionally induce direct infringement of the '299 Patent by contracting for the third-party manufacture of, and/or providing the Accused Products to direct infringers.
- 52. Defendant has induced infringement by others, including third-party semiconductor foundries, other types of third-party manufacturers, customers, and/or end-users, with the intent to cause infringing acts by others or, in the alternative, with the belief that there was a high probability that others infringe the '299 Patent, but while remaining willfully blind to the infringement.
- 53. Defendant has and continues to infringe one or more claims of the '299 Patent by importing into the United States or offering to sell, selling, or using within the United States a product which is made by a process patented in the United States.
- 54. Defendant is not licensed or otherwise authorized to practice the claims of the '299 Patent.
- 55. Thus, by its acts, Defendant has injured Chip Packaging and is liable to Chip Packaging for directly and/or indirectly infringing one or more claims of the '299 Patent, whether literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, including without limitation claim 1.
- 56. As a result of Defendant's infringement of the '299 Patent, Chip Packaging has suffered monetary damages, and seeks recovery, in an amount to be proven at trial, adequate to compensate for Defendant's infringement, but in no event less than a reasonable royalty with interest and costs.

SECOND COUNT (Infringement of U.S Patent No. 9,299,646)

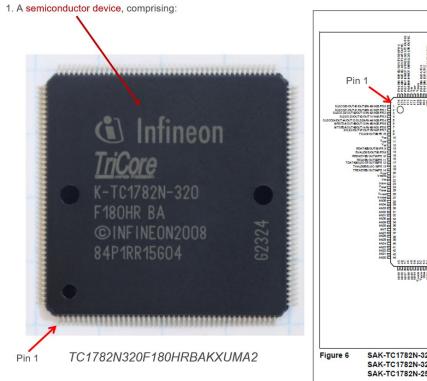
- 57. Chip Packaging incorporates by reference the allegations set forth in Paragraphs 1-56 of the Complaint as though fully set forth herein.
 - 58. The claims of the '646 Patent are valid and enforceable.
- 59. Infine on has and continues to directly infringe the '646 Patent, either literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, without authority and in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271, by making, using, offering to sell, selling, and/or importing into the United States the Accused Products made using the patented methods including, but not limited to, products that satisfy each and every limitation of one or more claims of the '646 Patent. Upon information and belief, such products include Infineon 32-bit TriCore **AUDO** MAX at least the **MCU** Package TC1782N320F180HRBAKXUMA2 and all other products with power and ground bar arrangements that are not colorably different.
- 60. For example, the Accused Products incorporates and/or implements elements that are identical or equivalent to each claimed element of the patented invention pointed out by at least Claim 1 of the '646 Patent.
 - 61. Claim 1 of the '646 Patent recites:
 - 1. A semiconductor device, comprising:
 - a semiconductor die having a plurality of first contact pads and at least one second contact pad disposed on or exposed through a surface thereof;
 - a package casing that covers the semiconductor die;
 - a plurality of signal leads spaced apart from the semiconductor die and each having an embedded portion located within the package casing and an exposed portion located outside of the package casing, each of the signal leads being electrically connected to a respective one of the first contact pads;
 - a power bar extending at least partially in an area between the embedded portions of the plurality of signal leads and the semiconductor die and having a first side opposing the signal leads and a second side opposing

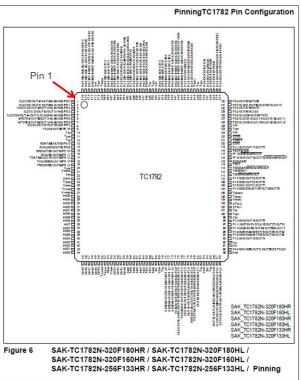
the semiconductor die, the power bar being electrically connected to the at least one second contact pad; and

a ground bar that is electrically grounded and extends at least partially in said area, the ground bar having a first portion disposed between the embedded portions of the plurality of signal leads and the first side of the power bar, and a second portion disposed between the second side of the power bar and the semiconductor die.

'646 Patent, Cl. 1.

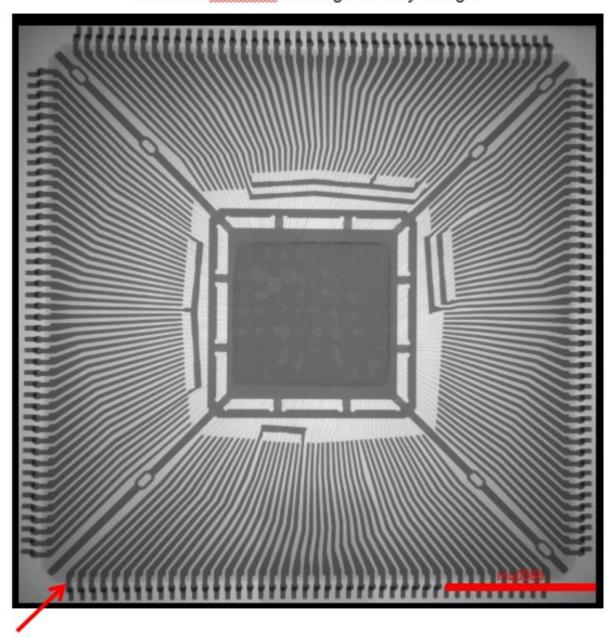
62. For example, the Infineon 32-bit MCU TriCore Package is a semiconductor device:



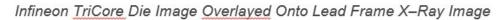


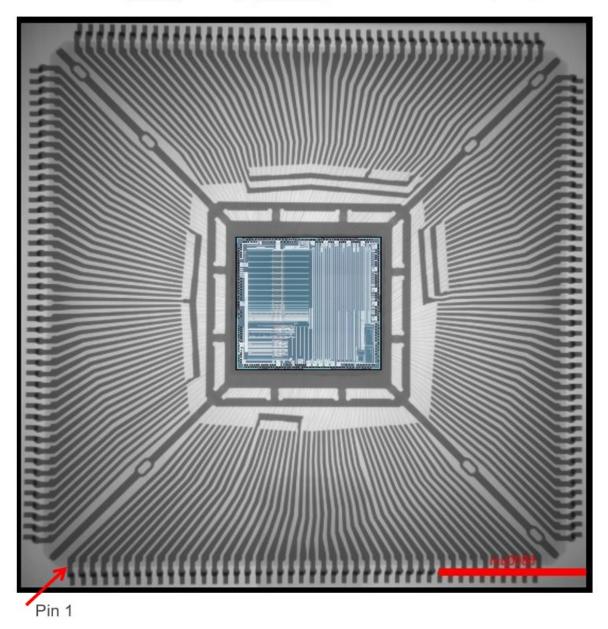
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Infineon TriCore Package X-Ray Image

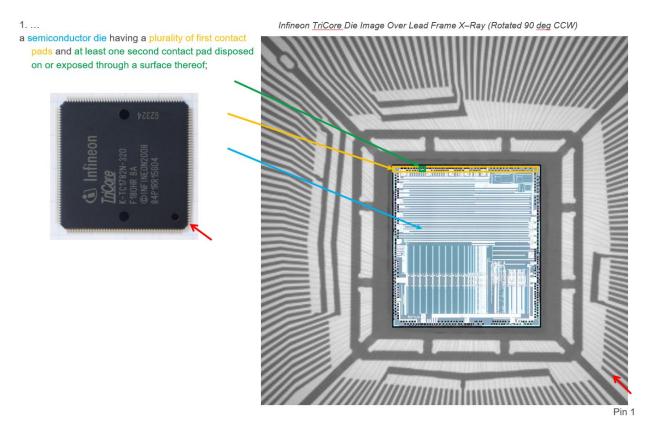


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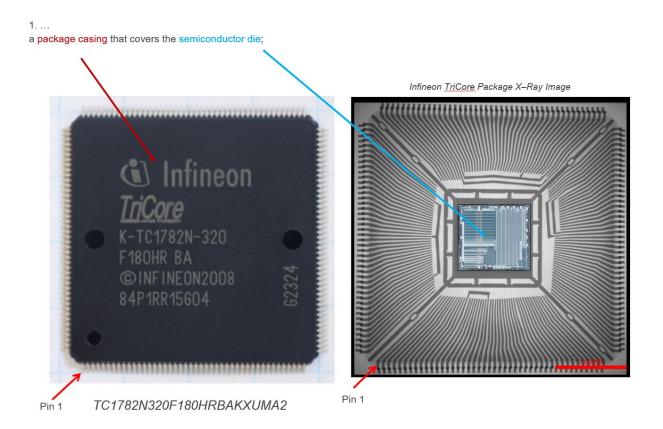




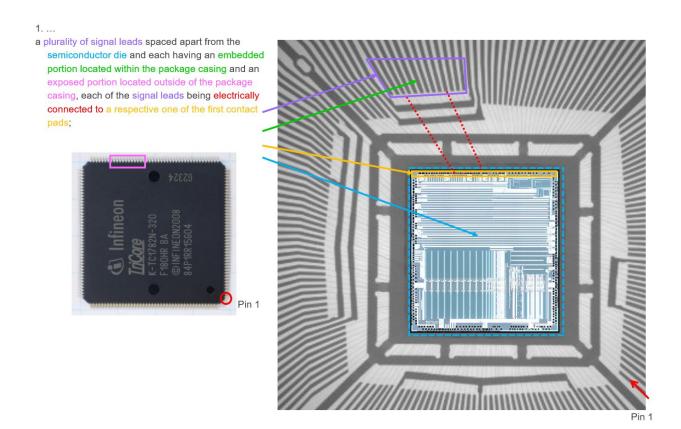
63. On information and belief, the Infineon 32-bit MCU TriCore Package includes a semiconductor die having a plurality of first contact pads and at least one second contact pad disposed on or exposed through a surface thereof.



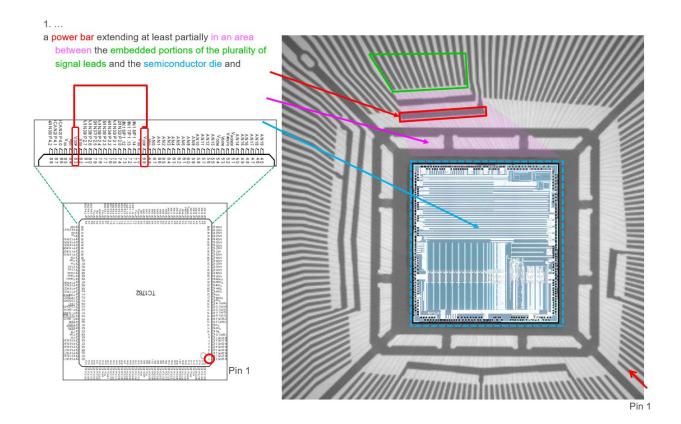
64. On information and belief, the Infineon 32-bit MCU TriCore Package includes a package casing that covers the semiconductor die.



65. On information and belief, the Infineon 32-bit MCU TriCore Package includes a plurality of signal leads spaced apart from the semiconductor die and each having an embedded portion located within the package casing and an exposed portion located outside of the package casing, each of the signal leads being electrically connected to a respective one of the first contact pads.

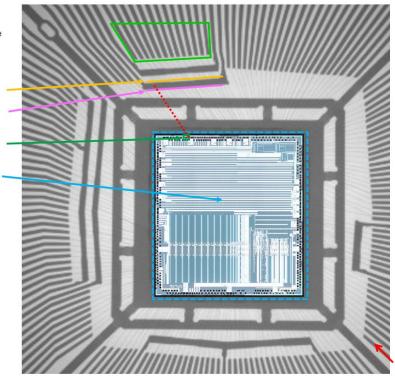


66. On information and belief, the Infineon 32-bit MCU TriCore Package includes a power bar extending at least partially in an area between the embedded portions of the plurality of signal leads and the semiconductor die.



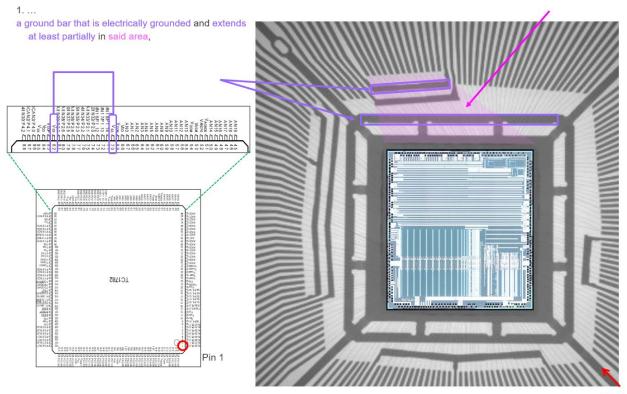
67. On information and belief, the Infineon 32-bit MCU TriCore Package includes a power bar having a first side opposing the signal leads and a second side opposing the semiconductor die, the power bar being electrically connected to the at least one second contact pad.





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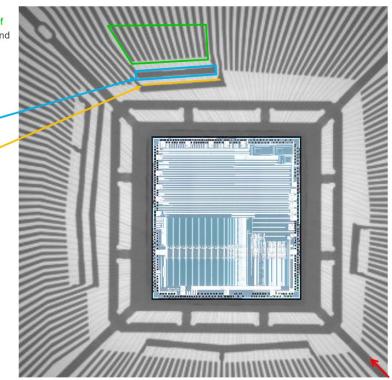
68. On information and belief, the Infineon 32-bit MCU TriCore Package includes a ground bar that is electrically grounded and extends at least partially in said area.



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69. On information and belief, the Infineon 32-bit MCU TriCore Package includes a ground bar having a first portion disposed between the embedded portions of the plurality of signal leads and the first side of the power bar.

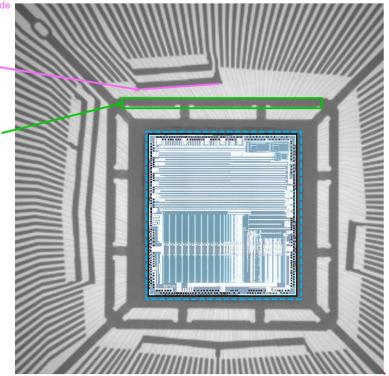




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70. On information and belief, the Infineon 32-bit MCU TriCore Package includes a ground bar having a second portion disposed between the second side of the power bar and the semiconductor die.

a second portion disposed between the second side of the power bar and the semiconductor die.



- 71. Fact and expert discovery are expected to confirm that the Accused Products infringe the '646 Patent, for which further evidence may lie in whole or in part in technical documents to which Chip Packaging does not presently have access.
- 72. Further, on information and belief, Defendant has and continues to indirectly infringe one or more claims of the '646 Patent, including claim 1, by knowingly and intentionally inducing others, including third-party semiconductor foundries, other types of third-party manufacturers, customers, and/or end-users to directly infringe, either literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, by making, using, offering to sell, selling, and/or importing into the United States the Accused Products.
- 73. Defendant, with knowledge that these products, and/or the manufacture thereof, infringe the '646 Patent at least as of the date of this Complaint, knowingly and intentionally induced, and continues to knowingly and intentionally induce direct infringement of the '646

Patent by contracting for the third-party manufacture of, and/or providing the Accused Products to direct infringers.

- 74. Defendant has induced infringement by others, including third-party semiconductor foundries, other types of third-party manufacturers, customers, and/or end-users, with the intent to cause infringing acts by others or, in the alternative, with the belief that there was a high probability that others infringe the '646 Patent, but while remaining willfully blind to the infringement.
- 75. Defendant is not licensed or otherwise authorized to practice the claims of the '646 Patent.
- 76. Thus, by its acts, Defendant has injured Chip Packaging and is liable to Chip Packaging for directly and/or indirectly infringing one or more claims of the '646 Patent, whether literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, including without limitation claim 1.
- 77. As a result of Defendant's infringement of the '646 Patent, Chip Packaging has suffered monetary damages, and seeks recovery, in an amount to be proven at trial, adequate to compensate for Defendant's infringement, but in no event less than a reasonable royalty with interest and costs.

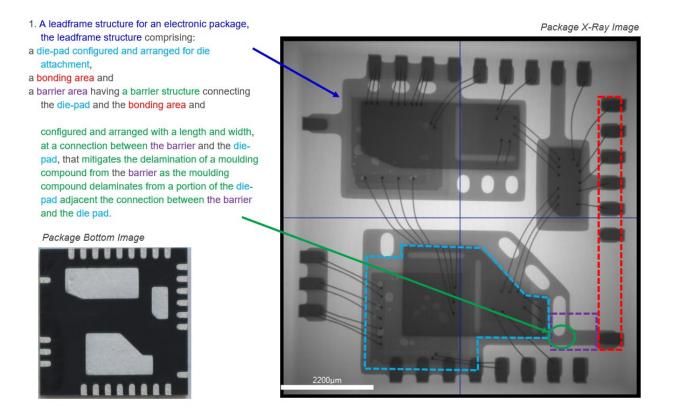
THIRD COUNT (Infringement of U.S Patent No. 8,258,611)

- 78. Chip Packaging incorporates by reference the allegations set forth in Paragraphs 1-77 of the Complaint as though fully set forth herein.
 - 79. The claims of the '611 Patent are valid and enforceable.
- 80. Infineon has and continues to directly infringe the '611 Patent, either literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, without authority and in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271, by making, using, offering to sell, selling, and/or importing into the United States the Accused Products made using the patented methods including, but not limited to, products that satisfy each and every

- 81. For example, the Accused Products incorporates and/or implements elements that are identical or equivalent to each claimed element of the patented invention pointed out by at least Claim 1 of the '611 Patent.
 - 82. Claim 1 of the '611 Patent recites:
 - 1. A leadframe structure for an electronic package, the leadframe structure comprising:
 - a die-pad configured and arranged for die attachment,
 - a bonding area and
 - a barrier area having a barrier structure connecting the die-pad and the bonding area and configured and arranged with a length and width, at a connection between the barrier and the die-pad, that mitigates the delamination of a moulding compound from the barrier as the moulding compound delaminates from a portion of the die-pad adjacent the connection between the barrier and the die pad.

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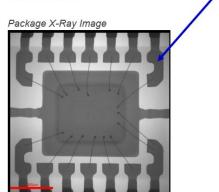
83. For example, the Infineon IGI60F1414A1 is a lead frame structure for an electronic package that satisfies each claim element.

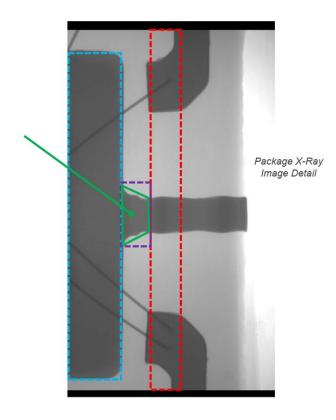


84. As another example, the Infineon TLF51801ELV is a lead frame structure for an electronic package that satisfies each claim element.

- A leadframe structure for an electronic package, the leadframe structure comprising:
- a die-pad configured and arranged for die attachment,
- a bonding area and
- a barrier area having a barrier structure connecting the die-pad and the bonding area and

configured and arranged with a length and width, at a connection between the barrier and the diepad, that mitigates the delamination of a moulding compound from the barrier as the moulding compound delaminates from a portion of the diepad adjacent the connection between the barrier and the die pad.



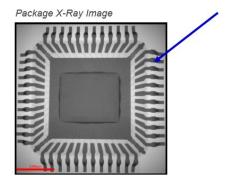


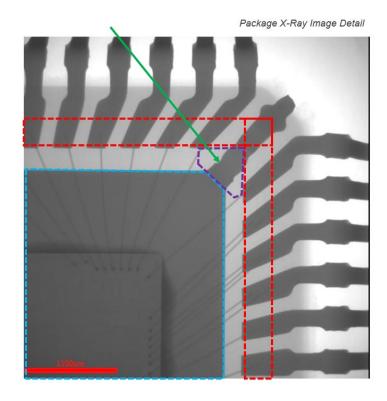
85. As another example, the Infineon TLE9872QT is a lead frame structure for an electronic package that satisfies each claim element.

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- 1. A leadframe structure for an electronic package, the leadframe structure comprising:
- a die-pad configured and arranged for die attachment,
- a bonding area and
- a barrier area having a barrier structure connecting the die-pad and the bonding area and

configured and arranged with a length and width, at a connection between the barrier and the diepad, that mitigates the delamination of a moulding compound from the barrier as the moulding compound delaminates from a portion of the diepad adjacent the connection between the barrier and the die pad.





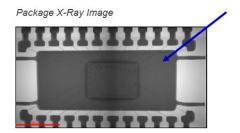
As another example, the Infineon TLE9461ES is a lead frame structure for an 86. electronic package that satisfies each claim element.

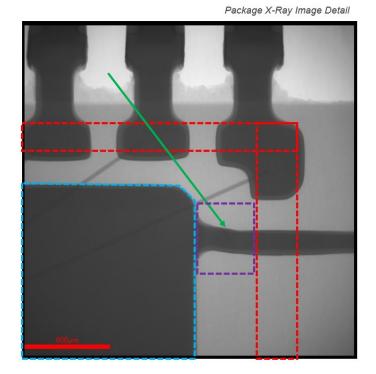
a die-pad configured and arranged for die attachment,

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- a bonding area and
- a barrier area having a barrier structure connecting the die-pad and the bonding area and

configured and arranged with a length and width, at a connection between the barrier and the diepad, that mitigates the delamination of a moulding compound from the barrier as the moulding compound delaminates from a portion of the diepad adjacent the connection between the barrier and the die pad.





- 87. Fact and expert discovery are expected to confirm that the Accused Products infringe the '611 Patent, for which further evidence may lie in whole or in part in technical documents to which Chip Packaging does not presently have access.
- 88. Further, on information and belief, Defendant has and continues to indirectly infringe one or more claims of the '611 Patent, including claim 1, by knowingly and intentionally inducing others, including third-party semiconductor foundries, other types of third-party manufacturers, customers, and/or end-users to directly infringe, either literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, by making, using, offering to sell, selling, and/or importing into the United States the Accused Products.
- 89. Defendant, with knowledge that these products, and/or the manufacture thereof, infringe the '611 Patent at least as of the date of this Complaint, knowingly and intentionally induced, and continues to knowingly and intentionally induce direct infringement of the '911

Patent by contracting for the third-party manufacture of, and/or providing the Accused Products to direct infringers.

- 90. Defendant has induced infringement by others, including third-party semiconductor foundries, other types of third-party manufacturers, customers, and/or end-users, with the intent to cause infringing acts by others or, in the alternative, with the belief that there was a high probability that others infringe the '611 Patent, but while remaining willfully blind to the infringement.
- 91. Defendant is not licensed or otherwise authorized to practice the claims of the '611 Patent.
- 92. Thus, by its acts, Defendant has injured Chip Packaging and is liable to Chip Packaging for directly and/or indirectly infringing one or more claims of the '611 Patent, whether literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, including without limitation claim 1.
- 93. As a result of Defendant's infringement of the '611 Patent, Chip Packaging has suffered monetary damages, and seeks recovery, in an amount to be proven at trial, adequate to compensate for Defendant's infringement, but in no event less than a reasonable royalty with interest and costs.

FOURTH COUNT (Infringement of U.S Patent No. 9,685,351)

- 94. Chip Packaging incorporates by reference the allegations set forth in Paragraphs 1-93 of the Complaint as though fully set forth herein.
 - 95. The claims of the '351 Patent are valid and enforceable.
- 96. Infineon has and continues to directly infringe the '351 Patent, either literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, without authority and in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271, by making, using, offering to sell, selling, and/or importing into the United States the Accused Products made using the patented methods including, but not limited to, products that satisfy each and every

limitation of one or more claims of the '351 Patent. Upon information and belief, such products include at least the Infineon TC1782 TriCore 32-bit AUDO MAX MCU and all other products with positive mold lock structures that are not colorably different, including but not limited to TC213L8F133NACKXUMA1, TC223S16F133FACKXUMA1, TC234L32F200NACKXUMA1, TC265D40F200NBCKXUMA1, TC275T64F200WDCKXUMA1, TC322LP16F160FAAKXUMA1, TC333LP32F200FAAKXUMA1, TC364DP64F300FAALXUMA1.

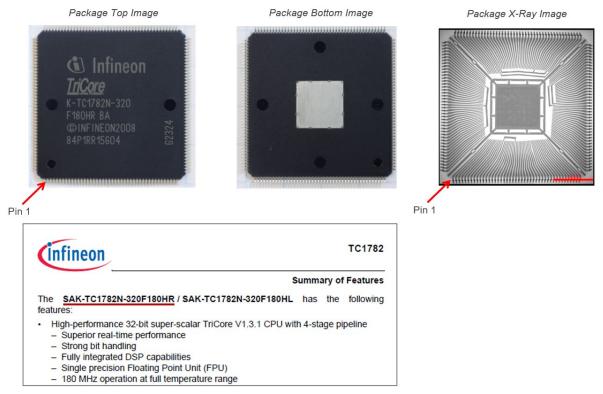
- 97. For example, the Accused Products incorporates and/or implements elements that are identical or equivalent to each claimed element of the patented invention pointed out by at least Claim 1 of the '351 Patent.
 - 98. Claim 1 of the '351 Patent recites:
 - 1. A method comprising:

providing a lead frame comprising a first die paddle and one or more electrical connector elements; and

forming one or more positive mold lock structures at predetermined locations on a top surface of the lead frame which laterally protrude above the top surface.

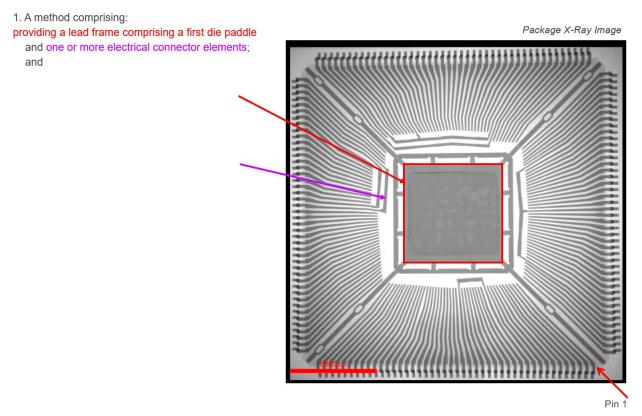
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99. For example, the Infineon 32-bit AUDO MAX MCU implements a method for fabricating a microchip structure. The microchip structure of the Infineon AUDO MAX 32-bit MCU is illustrated below:

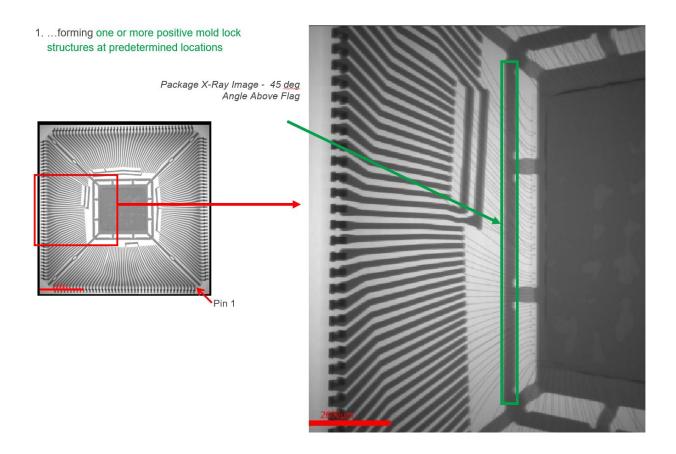


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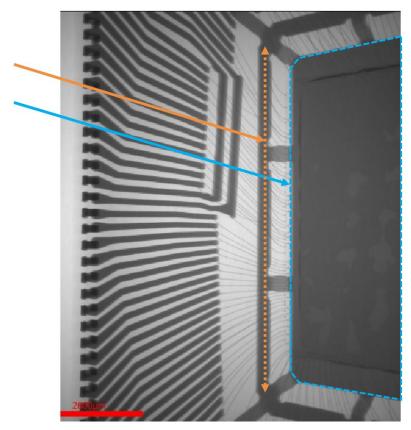
100. On information and belief, the Accused Products are manufactured using a process that provides a lead frame comprising a first die paddle and one or more electrical connector elements.



101. On information and belief, within the Accused Products are manufactured using a process that forms one or more positive mold lock structures at predetermined locations.



102. On information and belief, within the Accused Products are manufactured using a process that forms one or more positive mold lock structures at predetermined locations on a top surface of the lead frame which laterally protrude above the top surface.



- 103. Fact and expert discovery are expected to confirm that the Accused Products infringe the '351 Patent, for which further evidence may lie in whole or in part in technical documents to which Chip Packaging does not presently have access.
- Further, on information and belief, Defendant has and continues to indirectly 104. infringe one or more claims of the '351 Patent, including claim 1, by knowingly and intentionally inducing others, including third-party semiconductor foundries, other types of third-party manufacturers, customers, and/or end-users to directly infringe, either literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, by making, using, offering to sell, selling, and/or importing into the United States the Accused Products.
- 105. Defendant, with knowledge that these products, and/or the manufacture thereof, infringe the '351 Patent at least as of the date of this Complaint, knowingly and intentionally induced, and continues to knowingly and intentionally induce direct infringement of the '351

Patent by contracting for the third-party manufacture of, and/or providing the Accused Products to direct infringers.

- 106. Defendant has induced infringement by others, including third-party semiconductor foundries, other types of third-party manufacturers, customers, and/or end-users, with the intent to cause infringing acts by others or, in the alternative, with the belief that there was a high probability that others infringe the '351 Patent, but while remaining willfully blind to the infringement.
- 107. Defendant has and continues to infringe one or more claims of the '351 Patent by importing into the United States or offering to sell, selling, or using within the United States a product which is made by a process patented in the United States.
- 108. Defendant is not licensed or otherwise authorized to practice the claims of the '351 Patent.
- 109. Thus, by its acts, Defendant has injured Chip Packaging and is liable to Chip Packaging for directly and/or indirectly infringing one or more claims of the '351 Patent, whether literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, including without limitation claim 1.
- 110. As a result of Defendant's infringement of the '351 Patent, Chip Packaging has suffered monetary damages, and seeks recovery, in an amount to be proven at trial, adequate to compensate for Defendant's infringement, but in no event less than a reasonable royalty with interest and costs.

FIFTH COUNT (Infringement of U.S Patent No. 8,394,713)

- 111. Chip Packaging incorporates by reference the allegations set forth in Paragraphs 1-110 of the Complaint as though fully set forth herein.
 - The claims of the '713 Patent are valid and enforceable. 112.

- 113. Infineon has and continues to directly infringe the '713 Patent, either literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, without authority and in violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271, by making, using, offering to sell, selling, and/or importing into the United States the Accused Products made using the patented methods including, but not limited to, products that satisfy each and every limitation of one or more claims of the '713 Patent. Upon information and belief, such products include at least the Infineon IGI60F1414A1L CoolGaN product line and all other products with a nickel layer on a bond pad and a palladium layer that are not colorably different.
- 114. For example, the Accused Products incorporates and/or implements elements that are identical or equivalent to each claimed element of the patented invention pointed out by at least Claim 1 of the '713 Patent.

115. Claim 1 of the '713 Patent recites:

1. A method for forming over pad metallization (OPM) on a semiconductor die having a bond pad in which the bond pad has an inner portion surrounded by a passivation layer, comprising:

depositing a nickel layer on the bond pad, wherein a lack of adhesion between the nickel layer and the passivation layer results in a space between the nickel layer and the passivation layer down to the bond pad;

applying an isotropic etchant selective for nickel to the nickel layer to widen the space between the nickel layer and the passivation layer down to the bond pad; and

depositing a palladium layer on the nickel layer and in the space so as to be in contact, in the space, with the bond pad, the passivation layer, and the nickel layer.

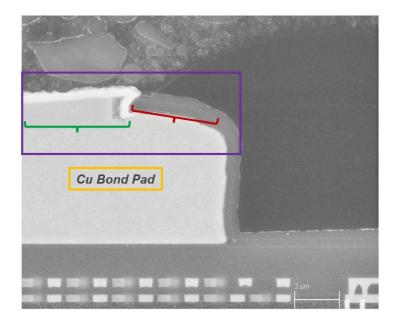
'713 Patent, Cl. 1.

116. For example, the Infineon IGI60F1414A1L CoolGaN implements a method for forming over pad metallization on a semiconductor die having a bond pad in which the bond pad has an inner portion surrounded by a passivation layer.

depositing a nickel layer on the bond pad, wherein a lack of adhesion between the nickel layer and the passivation layer results in a space between the nickel layer and the passivation layer down to the bond pad;

applying an isotropic etchant selective for nickel to the nickel layer to widen the space between the nickel layer and the passivation layer down to the bond pad; and

depositing a palladium layer on the nickel layer and in the space so as to be in contact, in the space, with the bond pad, the passivation layer, and the nickel layer.



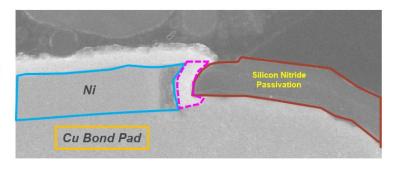
On information and belief, the Accused Products are manufactured using a process 117. that deposits a nickel layer on the bond pad, wherein a lack of adhesion between the nickel layer and the passivation layer results in a space between the nickel layer and the passivation layer down to the bond pad.

1. A method for forming over pad metallization (OPM) on a semiconductor die having a bond pad in which the bond pad has an inner portion surrounded by a passivation layer, comprising:

depositing a nickel layer on the bond pad, wherein a lack of adhesion between the nickel layer and the passivation layer results in a space between the nickel layer and the passivation layer down to the bond pad;

applying an isotropic etchant selective for nickel to the nickel layer to widen the space between the nickel layer and the passivation layer down to the bond pad; and

depositing a palladium layer on the nickel layer and in the space so as to be in contact, in the space, with the bond pad, the passivation layer, and the nickel layer.

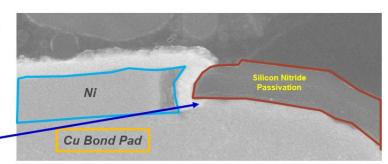


118. On information and belief, the Accused Products are manufactured using a process that applies an isotropic etchant selective for nickel to the nickel layer to widen the space between the nickel layer and the passivation layer down to the bond pad.

- A method for forming over pad metallization (OPM) on a semiconductor die having a bond pad in which the bond pad has an inner portion surrounded by a passivation layer, comprising:
- depositing a nickel layer on the bond pad, wherein a lack of adhesion between the nickel layer and the passivation layer results in a space between the nickel layer and the passivation layer down to the bond pad;

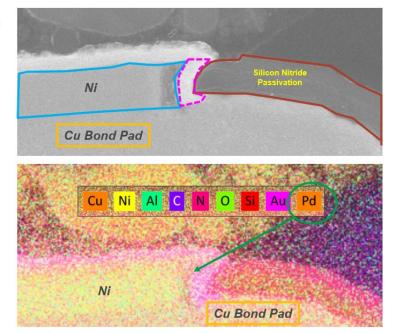
applying an isotropic etchant selective for nickel to the nickel layer to widen the space between the nickel layer and the passivation layer down to the bond pad; and

depositing a palladium layer on the nickel layer and in the space <u>so as to</u> be in contact, in the space, with the bond pad, the passivation layer, and the nickel layer.



119. On information and belief, , the Accused Products are manufactured using a process that deposits a palladium layer on the nickel layer and in the space so as to be in contact, in the space, with the bond pad, the passivation layer, and the nickel layer.

- A method for forming over pad metallization (OPM) on a semiconductor die having a bond pad in which the bond pad has an inner portion surrounded by a passivation layer, comprising:
- depositing a nickel layer on the bond pad, wherein a lack of adhesion between the nickel layer and the passivation layer results in a space between the nickel layer and the passivation layer down to the bond pad;
- applying an isotropic etchant selective for nickel to the nickel layer to widen the space between the nickel layer and the passivation layer down to the bond pad; and
- depositing a palladium layer on the nickel layer and in the space <u>so.as.to</u> be in contact, in the space, with the bond pad, the passivation layer, and the nickel layer.



120. Fact and expert discovery are expected to confirm that the Accused Products infringe the '713 Patent, for which further evidence may lie in whole or in part in technical documents to which Chip Packaging does not presently have access.

- 121. Further, on information and belief, Defendant has and continues to indirectly infringe one or more claims of the '713 Patent, including claim 1, by knowingly and intentionally inducing others, including third-party semiconductor foundries, other types of third-party manufacturers, customers, and/or end-users to directly infringe, either literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, by making, using, offering to sell, selling, and/or importing into the United States the Accused Products.
- 122. Defendant, with knowledge that these products, and/or the manufacture thereof, infringe the '713 Patent at least as of the date of this Complaint, knowingly and intentionally induced, and continues to knowingly and intentionally induce direct infringement of the '713 Patent by contracting for the third-party manufacture of, and/or providing the Accused Products to direct infringers.
- 123. Defendant has induced infringement by others, including third-party semiconductor foundries, other types of third-party manufacturers, customers, and/or end-users, with the intent to cause infringing acts by others or, in the alternative, with the belief that there was a high probability that others infringe the '713 Patent, but while remaining willfully blind to the infringement.
- 124. Defendant has and continues to infringe one or more claims of the '713 Patent by importing into the United States or offering to sell, selling, or using within the United States a product which is made by a process patented in the United States.
- 125. Defendant is not licensed or otherwise authorized to practice the claims of the '713 Patent.
- 126. Thus, by its acts, Defendant has injured Chip Packaging and is liable to Chip Packaging for directly and/or indirectly infringing one or more claims of the '713 Patent, whether literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, including without limitation claim 1.

127. As a result of Defendant's infringement of the '713 Patent, Chip Packaging has suffered monetary damages, and seeks recovery, in an amount to be proven at trial, adequate to compensate for Defendant's infringement, but in no event less than a reasonable royalty with interest and costs.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for judgment and seeks relief from Defendant as follows:

- a. For judgment that Defendant has infringed and continues to infringe the claims of the '299,'646, '611, '351, and '713 Patents;
- b. For an accounting of all damages sustained by Plaintiff as a result of Defendant's acts of infringement;
- c. For a mandatory future royalty payable by Defendant in relation to each sale of an Accused Product that is found to infringe one or more of the Asserted Patents and all future products which are not colorably different from products found to infringe;
- d. For a judgment and order requiring Defendant to pay Plaintiff's damages, costs, expenses, and pre- and post-judgment interest for its infringement of the '299,'646, '611, '351, and '713 Patents as provided under 35 U.S.C. § 284;
- e. For a judgment and order finding that this is an exceptional case within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. § 285 and awarding to Plaintiff its reasonable attorneys' fees; and
- f. For such other and further relief in law and in equity as the Court may deem just and proper.

DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

Pursuant to Rule 38(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Plaintiff demands a trial by jury in this action for all issues triable by a jury.

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